



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 53

LCO No. 233

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

SEN. DEFRONZO, 6th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED ACCESS TO THE CONNPACE PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 17b-492 of the general statutes be amended to permit:
- 2 (1) Married individuals with a combined spousal income of twenty-
- 3 eight thousand one hundred dollars or more but less than thirty
- 4 thousand five hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible to receive
- 5 ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify for reduced ConnPACE
- 6 program benefits in an amount equal to seventy-five per cent of the
- 7 full program benefit; (2) married individuals with a combined spousal
- 8 income of thirty thousand five hundred dollars or more but less than
- 9 thirty-three thousand five hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible
- 10 to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify for reduced
- 11 ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to fifty per cent of
- 12 the full program benefit; (3) unmarried individuals with an income of
- 13 twenty thousand eight hundred dollars or more but less than twenty-
- 14 three thousand three hundred dollars, who are otherwise eligible to
- 15 receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify for reduced
- 16 ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to seventy-five per

17 cent of the full program benefit; and (4) unmarried individuals with an
18 income of twenty-three thousand three hundred dollars or more but
19 less than twenty-five thousand eight hundred dollars, who are
20 otherwise eligible to receive ConnPACE program benefits, to qualify
21 for reduced ConnPACE program benefits in an amount equal to fifty
22 per cent of the full program benefit.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide increased access to the ConnPACE program by allowing certain individuals who satisfy all program eligibility requirements, but whose income exceeds current eligibility standards, to qualify for graduated program benefits.